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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-5.

Please add claim 6 as follows:

6. (NEW) A recording medium on which stream data has been recorded, the stream

data comprising:

menu item coordinate information for representing a display location of a menu item;

image information for representing an image; and valid duration information for representing the duration for which the item coordinate information is valid;

wherein the menu item coordinate information and valid duration information is inserted in the stream data at predetermined time periods.

Claim 6 is pending in the application upon entry of this amendment.

Should any fees be due as a result of the filing of this amendment, the

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 18-0988.

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